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Cairo, April 3, 1823.

My dear Brother Morton,

A few days since I received a large parcel of letters from America, among wh. were yours of June 22, & Oct. 26, 1822. Three intended for our lamented brother from his Father, his Mother & his brother Ira, & one from his Father ^{& yourself} to me dated June 17. - I was never perhaps in greater haste than I am now. You must therefore excuse this imperfect scrawl. Under date of June 22. Mrs. Morton makes several inquiries concerning our departed brother. To most of them I believe you have received answers before this time from his papers or from my letters & journals. While he was in Syria I have reason to think he suffered very much, but as he was delirious much of the time I have not been able to ascertain very precisely how he was treated. After his arrival at Smyrna until his death he had everything which could be provided in this country. He was very contented & happy in mind & he suffered scarcely any at all in body. Days & nights passed in as senior as tranquil as a summer's evening. It would have comforted you to see how easy, cheerful & happy he was. He seemed quietly moving down to the dark valley, & his Savior was very kind.

Your request from Pittsfield about such things
as Mr. Parsons left I fulfilled soon after his
death. I hope you have received everything before
now. — I fear I shall not be able to send you
anything in addition to what I have forwarded
already, wh. will assist you in compiling the
Memoirs. In Jerusalem &c. he kept his
journal & diary all together. He forwarded
a copy of his journal to Mr. Everts. After
his death I copied all that I thought would
be interesting, wh. he had not copied, & sent
it to Mr. Everts. If he has not published ^{the} ~~whole~~
I presume you can get it. Nothing now remains
in the original journal, I believe, that would
assist you, & I hope you will therefore allow
me to keep it in his own dear hand-writing.
I sent Mr. E. a paper from wh. there is an ex-
tract Mis. Vol. Oct. p. 320. In that paper is
an account of his conversations during his
sickness. If it has not been published I
presume you can get it. — You are
aware that our brother had a very extensive
correspondence & I presume you have taken
measures to collect his letters from his cor-
respondents. Next to his journals I think his
letters will furnish the richest materials
for the Memoirs. I shall wait with anxiety
to see the work & hope it will not be long
delayed. —

The relation which subsisted between
Mr. Parsons & myself made me feel as if his
relatives were my relatives. His death has
by no means diminished my attachment
to his friends. The request from yourself
& Mrs. W. & your Parents is therefore par-
ticularly gratifying to my feelings. I shall
always be glad to receive your letters. I will write
as often as my numerous & pressing engage-
ments will permit. We will pray for each other
& wait in hope of a glorious meeting with our
departed brother never to be
separated again. I rejoice
to hear how the Lord blesses
your labors. May you have
multitudes of souls for your
crown of rejoicing. —

My love to sister. Kiss your dear children
for me & when you write to our Parents
remember me most affectionately. —

I shall always be glad if sister writes
one half the letter, — The Lord bless you all.

Yours sincerely P. Fisk